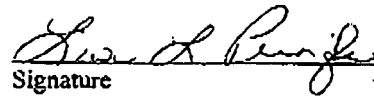


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Sir:

On 19 November 2003, Patent Application No. 10/718,824 (now U.S. Patent No. 7,720,226 B2) was filed claiming small entity status in good faith.

On January 25, 2007, Essex Corporation was purchased by Northrop Grumman Systems Corporation, a Delaware corporation, which is a large entity status.

All subsequent fees were paid as large entity, until the issue fee. The Notice of Allowance incorrectly listed the application type as small entity, and listed small entity fees to be paid. Accordingly, based on the fees listed in the Notice of Allowance, a small entity issue fee was incorrectly paid.

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Accordingly, submitted herewith is the difference between the small and large entity amount, \$755.00. Also attached is Form PTO-2038 for payment of this fee.

Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in the fees for this amendment to our Deposit Account No. 20-0090.

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